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## N.D. Mental Health Planning Council to Meet Oct. 24-25 in Bismarck

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Mental Health Planning Council, which plans and monitors mental health services and supports for children and adults, will meet in Bismarck on Thurs., Oct. 24, 2013, from 1 to 4 p.m. and Friday, Oct. 25, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Comfort Inn. The meeting is open to the public.

Agenda items include an election of officers and review of division reports. Members will hear an update from the Consumer and Family Network as well as discussion about upcoming council events for 2014. A complete agenda is online at <a href="https://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html">www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html</a>.

Individuals who need accommodations to participate in the meeting can contact Lauren Sauer at 701-328-8920, toll-free 1-800-755-2719, ND Relay TTY 1-800-366-6888, or <a href="mailto:lsauer@nd.gov">lsauer@nd.gov</a>.

The council consists of 30 members appointed by the governor who are representatives from state agencies, social services, public and private providers, and consumers of mental health services, and their families. Meetings are held quarterly and are facilitated by representatives from the N.D. Department of Human Services.

Committee information is online at <a href="www.nd.gov/dhs/services/mentalhealth/ndmhpc/">www.nd.gov/dhs/services/mentalhealth/ndmhpc/</a>, or by contacting Sauer in the Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, N.D. Department of Human Services, at 701-328-8920, toll-free 1-800-755-2719, or ND Relay TTY 1-800-366-6888.